from Dodge to Ruger, which have been introduced in evidence, Mrs. Morse refused to consent to a proceeding to that end. She eaw the letters in Mr. Fu sman's office, but she wasn't sure that they were in Dodge's handwriting.

"Did she say that there was some taint about the divorce?"

"She said she would prefer a new one, as there was some question about it." said Mr.

"Didn't she say the divorce was tainted, using that word?"

"I couldn't say that she did; she said she preferred a new divorce." Mr. Morse further testified that a new

From Dodge was actually begun

"And isn't it true," asked Mr. Stanehfield, "that a retainer was obtained for
Hummel from Dodge or that a written
authority for Hummel to act for Dodge
was brought to Mr. Hummel by a nephew
of Mrs. Morse "

was brought to Mr. Hummel by a nephew of Mrs. Morse?"

"It is," said Mr. Morse. He added that the proceedings got as far as the taking of testimony, but were stopped by the intervention of Mr. Hummel in the Morse marriage annulment proceedings.

"Isn't it a fact that you did not believe that Sweetser had served Dodge with the symmons in his wife's suit?"

"I never feit very certain about it."

After having exhausted the witness on these points, Mr. Stanchiele, took up Mr. Morse's family troubles over his marriage to Mrs. Bodge. Mr. Morse said that he had known Mrs. Dodge for three years before it married her, but that his children didn't k now the marriage was contemplated until three weeks before it occurred. He simply didn't tell his children.

"Wasn't there the warmest kind of opposition fro) u your children?" asked Mr. Stanchfield.

At first Mr. Morse refused to discuss that

phase of his marriage. Then as said there was no discu wion of it, because his children wouldn't dare and he wouldn't belerate it.

"Do you knew that your sister and uncle "Do you know that your sister and uncle opposed the marriage because they didn't think it was a proper one and would alienate the affections of your children?"

"I heard of it from the newspapers, but no one discussed it with me," replied Mr.

Morse.

"Didn't your uncle take the position that you shouldn't have married a divorced woman and that it was wrong and unjust to your children?" asked Mr. Stanchfield.

"I can't answer that: I wor't discuss it," said Mr. Morse, with some feeling. Mr. Stanchfield insisted upon an answer and after some quibbying. Mr. Morse said:

"I have heard him state it in the presence of another gentleman, but not to me."

"It wouldn't have been particularly safe for him to have said it to you, would it?" asked Mr. Stanchfield.
"No, it wouldn't," angrily replied the witness.

"How often did you hear your uncle say that Mrs. Dodge was an unfit woman for

you to marry?
"Once." snapped the witness.
"Where did that conversation take place?"
"At Ne w London, last April."
"Didn't he say he intended to see if in some way the marriage couldn't be invalidated?"

"he said be lad tried."

"Haven't you heard from your children complaints about your marriage to Mrs.

Dodge?" "They wouldn't dare: I wouldn't tolerate it. They never of applained, but sometimes they thought that I didn't see them as often as I should."

Your sister and family in Maine are

"Didn't they complain that you had wronged them by marrying this divorced "I can't say that. I knew from their manner that they disapproved of my mar-"Your children never lived where your second wife could act in the capacity of a "Mr. Ode

second wire could ace in the capacity of a mother to them?"
"No, sir."
"Didn't Sweetser say at Hummel's house that Ruger was dead?"
"Yes."

"Didn't Mrs. Dodge say at the office of Judge Fursman that she knew her divorce wasn't good and that she wanted a new

that Mrs. Morse said she was not satisfied with the divorce, but she didn't say she "knew" it was not a good one.

"Jerome," said Mr. Morse.

"Jerome was the only person on earth
before whom Capt. Morse would dare tell
you that, wasn't he?" asked Mr. Stanchfield. And I don't think he would do it again,"

said Mr. Morse.

"Jerome may have something to say as a Congressman will keep me away from about that," was Mr. Stanchfield's rest of the coming year." As soon as the morning session opened

As soon as the morning session opened—Justice Rogers was on the bench at stroke of 10—Mr. Rand put Lawyer Sweetser on the stand. Sweetser said that Mrs. Dodge engaged him as her attorney and that he served the summons in her action for disporce on Dodge at the Everett House on March 1, 1897. The letters from Dodge to Ruger he found in the office of a lawyer named Moore, who had been Ruger's partner at 15 Frondway. That was on January 8, 1901. He admitted going to the hearing at Referee Hall's office in the proceedings to annul the divorce and identifying

ing at Referee Hall's office in the proceedings to annul the divorce and identifying one Herpich as Dodge.

Cross-examined by Mr. Nicoll, he said that he served the summons as Dodge in the expectation that he could jet the necessary evidence against Dodge, and subsequently he did get it. He suggested Ruger as counsel for Dodge, but he decided that he had prepared the Dodge letters to Ruger, although he admitted that he had suggested their substance. Mr. Nicoll showed that at one of the hearings in the case Sweetser had testified that he had had nothing to do with the retaining of Ruger for Dodge. Sweetser admitted vesterday that he had something to do with bringing Ruger into the thing to do with bringing Ruger into the

As to Ruger's fee, Sweetser said that As to Ruger's lee, Sweetser said that Mrs. Pedge wanted him to pay Ruger out of the money he got from her, but he thought that she should pay Ruger independently of the money he got from her. He couldn't remember that he had ever sent a bill to her for Ruger's services, but he understood that Mrs. Dodge was to pay all the expense of gotting the divorce.

stood that Mrs. Dodge was to pay all the expenses of getting the divorce.

Mr. Morse had been questioned by Mr. Stanchfield on the paymment of Ruger, and while he said that he had talked with his wife about it he didn't know that she had paid Ruger, although he understood from his conversations with her that Sweetser expected her to do so.

Mr. Sweetser was also asked about the interview at Hummel's house. He said he never told Mr. Morse that he had identified Dodge from a newspaper picture.

fied Dodge from a newspaper picture, because as a lawyer I knew that would be foolish." He couldn't understand how Mr. Morse had got that impression of the

Then came Herpich, who looks some-thing like Dodge. He said that he knew Hummel and Nathaniel Cohen. Cohen came to him and asked him to see Hummel. He went to Hummel's office and the He went to Hummel's office and shook hands with Hummel.

hands with Hummel.

"I want to use you for about 15 minutes,"
Hummel said, according to Herpich.
"Here's a card, and I want you to go down
to the office of Referee Hall. I want you
to do me a favor, and I'll be glad to return
it whenever I can. There's to be a hearing
at Judge Hall's office. You come in and
sit down between me and Steinhardt. You
won't have to testify. If a man makes a
mistake and identifies you as another man

F. Dodge.

TOO MUCH FOR 'EM. Parsons Means to Be Head of the Execu-

Vice-President-Check to Deputy Boss.

That meeting of twenty-four of the Republican Assembly district leaders of this county which Boss Odell called for yesterday did not take place. On Thursday last he sent out notices through William Halpin action on behalf of Mrs. Monse for a divorce to those leaders to meet him at the Fifth Avenue Hotel on Saturday afternoon. The notices were sent out before Boss Odeli had been told by Senator Brackett on Friday that so far as his continued chairmanship of the State committee was concerned he was practically a dead one and before the interview he had at the Hotel Manhattan on Friday evening with Gov. Higgins, when it was made clear to him that his voice in the selection of the new speaker wouldn't be heard three yards away when the time came for the choice to be made.

After he had talked on Friday with Senator Brackett and Gov. Higgins Boss Odell skipped out of town and went back to Newburgh. The invitations which were sent to the district leaders who Boss Odell thought would back him in his efforts to hamstring Representative Parsons as the new head of the Republican county committee, by having Sam Strasbourger and Ambrose O. Neal elected as vice-chairman and secretary of the committee, were recalled on Friday. It was explained vesterday by one of the leaders who knew of Boss Odell's designs that the announcement made in THE SUN of the meeting had interfered with his plans and that he had ordered Billy Halpin to call the whole

thing off. It is doubtful now if Boss Odell will seek to carry further his underhand project to keep Halpin at the head of the county executive committee and Strasbourger vice-president and to make Neal secretary, and as a result to reduce Representative Parsons to a figurehead. Gov. Higgins has told Mr. Parsons that he will support him in his ambition to rehabilitate the Republican party in this county and that Mr. Parsons can depend upon any influence he has in this county to bring about the election of officers of the county committee who will work in accord with Mr.

There is no doubt that Mr. Parsons will be chosen chairman of the executive committee, as well as chairman of the county committee. He had conferences yesterday with several of the Republican district leaders and already has pledges which indicate that at least twenty of these leaders will vote for his election to the head of the executive committee. Twenty votes will be more than enough to elect him.

Mr. Parsons repeated last night his de termination to fight against Boss Odell's proposal to force Strasbourger and Neal on him. He repeated also that if he is elected chairman of the county committee his effort will be to try to bring back strength to the Republican party in this county by ridding it of the influences which have for so long worked to its ruin as a political

"Mr. Odell came out some time ago," said Mr. Parsons, "as an opponent of outside interference in the local Republican organization. We took him at his word. We believed what he said then. But it would seem that Mr. Odell didn't mean what he said at that time and that for reasons which are best known to himself he is planning to dominate the Republican stioned by Mr. Rand, Mr. Morse said | county committee. The majority of, the members of that committee don't intend "Who was the other gendeman in whose presence Capt. Morse said that your marriage to Mrs. Dodge was unjust to your children," asked Mr. Rand.

"Mr. Jerome," said Mr. Morse.

"In a me shall do so, and I am sure that that determination will be made clear on Thursday with a session at which all who had ideas to suggest or measures to propose them. The material content of the conditions in the region were to get a water supply in the Catskills.

"In a me shall do so, and I am sure that that determination, will be made clear on Thursday with a session at which all who had ideas to suggest or measures to propose them they will tie up New York city's effort to get a water supply in the Catskills. that he shall do so, and I am sure that that rely; he cannot be bossed and will help me to put the local organization on a new plane. A great deal of the work of vice-president, for the reason that my duties of the situation. as a Congressman will keep me away from part of the coming year."

Mr. Parsons was not prepared to say whom he would support for secretary, laid before them. but it is understood that the new secretary will be Henry E. O'Brien, the secretary of the Republican organization of the Twentyfifth Assembly district.

Gov. Higgins went back to Albany early said after he had gone that the Governor might be expected to make public before Monday his preference for the Speakership. Before he went away Gov. Higgins refused to make any comment on the situation, but from those who talked with him while he was in town it was learned that he was opposed to the selection of Edwin A. Merritt, Jr., of St. Lawrence county, Boss Odell's candidate, and that he was not in favor of Assemblyman James T. Rogers. In the talk yesterday at the Fifth Avenue Hotel the opinion was frequently heard that Gov. Higgins might be expected to support either Sherman Moreland of Chemung or J. Mayhew Wainwright of West-

DEFEAT WITH ODELL AS LEADER. Mr. Fassett Says the Republican Party

and Odell Cannot Endure Together. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 .- Representative J. Sloat Fassett of Elmira, in speaking tonight of the political situation in New York State, declared that Republican success would be almost impossible under Gov. Odell's management.

"The issue," he said, "is squarely between those who desire to reform the party in obedience to what they understand to be the public demand, on the one hand, and Mr. Odell and his friends, who propose to keep the situation precisely as it is. I look at it, the whole situation may be summed up in this sentence: It is a struggle between the continuation of the present grip of former Governor Odell on the State organization and the continuation in power of the Republican party. They both cannot

endure together. "It is a false and misleading hope which induces some to believe that because Mr. Hearst will enter the race for Governor next fall as an independent he will divide the Democratic vote in such a manner that anybody named by the Republicans under any auspices and under any leaderwon't have to testify. If a man makes a mistake and identifies you as another man that's all I want. There is only a chance in a thousand that he will make a mistake, but I want to take that chance."

Herrich fulfilled his part of the job and Sweetser came in and greeted him as Dodge. Then Sweetser learned that it wasn't Dodge. Herrich said that there was no agreement as to compensation before 'e went to Judge Hall's office, but later Hummel gave him \$25.

Ex-Judge Hall testified about Sweetser's mistake in his office. He said that to his mind Herrich looked very little like Dodge. "I understeod," he said, that Herrich was there by accident."

Mr. Rand announced that the prosecution's case should be closed by Monday. There will be several witnesses, the principal ones being Capt. Morse and Charles F. Dodge.

Today of the State. This argument is adduced by some timid people as a reason for not getting disturbed over the possible continuation in power of the clique, which, according to the sworn testimony of some of its own members before the insurance investigating committee has lost much of its prestige in the public esteem."

Referring to the discussion as to whether or not flow Higgins should name the Speaker of the Assembly, Mr. Fassett said that as a general proposition he might oppose it, yet under existing conditions he thought it the Governor's duty to select the Speaker, for the reason that "it was very difficult to beat anybody with nobody."

Any victory for Gov. Goall, "Mr. Fassett" ship can carry the State. This argument

"Any victory for Gov. Odell," Mr. Fassett

ODELL PLOTTERS DIDN'T MEET asserted, "is prophetic of defeat for the Republican party. This is without any discussion as to whether the Governor is PARSONS, BACKED BY HIGGINS, guilty or innocent of the many charges that are made against him. The public has absolute confidence in the integrity of Gov. Higgins and his purposes, and should he be persuaded in his own mind that the the Committee as Well as the County | welfare of the party and of the State. from Committee and to Have Page for both of which he has received such magnificent endorsements, would be furthered by his getting into the open and announcing his choice for Speaker, I have no doubt he would do so. I have no doubt if he should do so he would be applauded for it.

MINES MAGAZINE BLOWS UP. Explosion at Rossland, B. C., Felt for Fifty

Miles-Great Damage Above Ground. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec 16.-The discharge of several tons of high explosives in the joint magazine of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines at Rossland to-day caused overground damage estimated in the aggregate at from \$50,000 to \$75,000, inflicted minor injury on a score or more of Rossland citizens, and killed John Ingraham, former Chief of Police of Kootenay City, who had charge of the magazine, not a ves-

tige of whose remains has been discovered. The explosion was felt everywhere within a radius of fifty miles, and in the city of Rossland, nestling at the foot of Red Mountain, in which are the mines, not so much as one building entirely escaped. Houses on the rise of the mountain and nearest to the mine were wholly demolished, while for a distance of five miles bricks and plaster fell in showers and window glass was shat-

tered by the concussion.

The excitement throughout the camp is so intense to-night that none of a dozen theories can be accepted as a reasonable explanation for the explosion; nor can the extent of injury to the mines be established.

DWARF WE DON'T SEEM TO WANT. He Keeps Coming Over, to Live on His

Size, but They Ship Him Back. Emil Augustus Tifft, somewhat more than four feet tall, but with the lofty ambition to be boss of the Lilliputians at Coney Island, is at Ellis Island awaiting deportation because he has no visible means of support except his size, by which he has made a living in Austria-Hungary, where he was born. There are other dwarfs here smaller than Emil, and some of them

here smaller than Emil, and some of them are out of work.

Emil had the impression that the dwarf city at Coney Island was an all the year round thing and he thought he might get the job of bossing all the rest of the little folks. He tried to get into New York last June by shipping from Hamburg aboard the Patricia, and was turned back. This time he shipped at Trieste by the Pannonia.

He was a frosty husiness hereabouts, and that was a frosty business hereabouts, and that he would be better off in his own country, where he could at least speak and under-stand the majority of his fellow subjects.

WELLESLEY GIRLS UNTIDY?

Village Improvement Society Accuses Them of Littering Streets With Candy Bags. WELLESLEY, Mass., Dec. 16 .- The young women of Wellesley College have been rebuked by the Village Improvement Society for using the streets for a waste basket. A letter was addressed to the girls by the society asking them to be more careful

with their candy boxes, paper bags and the like, which they have been accustomed to throw into the streets. To this letter no attention was paid, and another communication was addressed to "the girls of Wellesley College." This was posted on the bulletin board of the college. It requested the receivers of the letter to refrain from disfiguring the streets of the pretty town by using them as a dumping ground, as their actions are obnoxious.

MINERS DEMANDS UNCERTAIN. "Recognition of the Union" One of the

Dangerously Indefinite Features. SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 16.—The anthracite tion.

Senator Malby and his friends behind this Senator Malby and his friends behind this

executive board, which, with President the committee will have to be left to the Mitchell at its head, has now taken charge He Tituks It Will Be Settled This Week

This board met in secret session after the convention and discussed plans for getting a conference with the operators and also a draft of the demands which are to be

What these are is not to be announce although there is a general impression that they include recognition of the union, an eight hour day, an equalization of wages for certain classes of workers and a conyesterday morning. Some of his friends tinuance of the essential features of the present agreement.

President Mitchell declined to discuss

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NEED MERRITT FOR SPEAKER. SOME CORPORATE INTERESTS ARE

Niagara Power Grabbers and Men Behind the Water Storage Bill and Measures Permitting the Damming of Adirondack Streams Are Backing Merritt.

WORKING FOR HIM.

ALEANY, Dec. 16 .- Corporations are working hard in the interest of the candidacy of Edwin A. Merritt, Jr., for Speaker of the Assembly. The paper trust, known as the International Paper Company, is one of them.

Members of Assembly and Republicans of influence throughout the State who can be reached through business, financial and personal sources by the big men of the International Paper Company have received letters that the company would like to see Merritt elected Speaker. They want a friend at court. Merritt has been tried and not found wanting. So has his political chief, Senator George R. Malby, he and Mr. Merritt coming from the same county, St. Lawrence

In the Legislature Merritt always has been the friend of the paper and pulp mill owners and the timber operators in the Adirondack region, and the International Paper Company is the biggest of these Adirondack operators. Merritt cares about as much for the preservation of the hundreds of thousands of acres of timber land owned by the State in the Adirondack region as he does for the preservation of Niagara Falls. He remarked on the floor of the Assembly last winter in defending the Niagara, Lockport and Ontario power grab bill that he would not object if all the water now passing over the Falls of Niagara was turned into workable dollars by the power companies. The International Paper Company needs a man like Merrit at Albany. They have many Adirondack interests to protect and have hopes of valued benefits to come.

Merritt and Malby have been the prime backers of legislation permitting for water been the friend of the paper and pulp mill

hopes of valued benefits to come.

Merritt and Malby have been the prime backers of legislation permitting the daniming of Adirondack streams for water storage and to generate electrical energy by flooding and destroying thousands of acres of State lands. Each year scandals have attended the attempt to secure such legislation. A legislative scandal growing out of the demand of one Assemblyman for \$15,000 from the backers of the water storage bill before he would support it was averted two sessions ago only through the abandonment of the bill.

Last session this Adirondack water storage and electrical power legislation was passed in the Legislature under a new guise, that of protecting the public health. A State river improvement commission, comprising State officials, was established to put the plan into operation.

This commission now is considering the first proposition under this law, that of the Paul Smith Light and Power Company to dam the Saranac River. Senator Malby is counsel for the company, and he has been urging the State officers to favor the application. If Merritt should be elected Speaker he could help the game along wonderfully.

This is one of the most daring propositions

wonderfully.
This is one of the most daring propositions ever concocted by corporate interests to utilize the valuable holdings of the State in the Adirondacks to coin money for private individuals. Malby and Merritt are the head and front of this game in the Legislature. But Joseph H. Choate has been retained by the Society for the Preservation of the Adirondacks to fight these marauders, on the ground that these dams would flood and destroy thousands of agrees of State. and destroy thousands of acres of State land, in violation of the State Constitution "The lands of the State, now owned or

hereafter acquired, constituting the forest preserve, as now fixed by law, shall be for-ever kept as wild forest lands. They shall not be leased, sold or exchanged, or be taken by any corporation, public or private, nor, shall any timber thereon be sold, re-moved or destroyed."

The State River Improvement Com-mission will pass upon this constitutional question in January, and then the Legislature will have to approve or disapprove of the action of the commission. It is unnecessary to point out how influential Mr. Merritt would be as Speaker in this connec-

Their suggestions were referred to the GOV. HIGGINS ON SPEAKERSHIP. Won't Discuss His Talk With Odell.

> discuss his meeting with Odell in New York. Of the Speakership he said to-day: "I think the bud is developing and that we will probably have the flower some time next week." Albany, Dec. 16.—Gov. Higgins will not The Governor declared in reply to an

inquiry that he had had no communication with President Roosevelt. "If I had had," he said, "it would probably have been of so confidential a nature that I should not have wanted to speak of it, but I can say that there has been no such communication."

OBITUARY.

tinuance of the essential features of the present agreement.

President Mitchell declined to discuss the possibility of the operators refusing to meet the committee, and there are only a few members sanguine enough to believe that there will be no hitch in the programme which the committee would explain what was meant by their term "recognition of the minor of the soft coal districts, where representatives of the mine workers' union and the operators meet in annual session to arrange wages and working agreements for the year.

At the morning session President Mitchell Alaimed to the delegates that his plan for conducting negotiations with the operators was not to be adopted if the delegates could speak out and air their views so that there would be no dissatisfaction.

Most of those who spoke indorsed Mitchell's plan.

More Cutions Sign Trade Agreements.

The Elevator Constructors' Union, which is now under the arbitration agreements, signed a trade agreement yesterday with the employers for two years. The elevator Workers' Union also signed an agreement of the composition Roofers and Waterproof Workers' Union also signed an agreement of the composition Roofers and Waterproof Workers' Union also signed an agreement of the composition of the minor of the composition of the co

Pastor Stephanos Keyl, for thirty-five years Pastor Stephanos Keyl, for thirty-five years missionary among the lumnigrants at Castle Garden and Ellis Island, died early Friday morning of a paralytic stroke. He was the pioneer of the German missionaries here. Coming to this country from Germany as a boy of four, with his father, a Lutheran minister, he became in time pastor of a church in Philadelphia. He was then appointed the New York representative of the Lutheran Synod of Missouri. Busy since then among the immigrants bound for the Lutheran colonies of the middle West, he practically founded the Lutheran Pilger Haus, at 8 State street. He leaves a widow and seven grownup children. He died at his home in Port Richmond, and was 67 years old.



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But Pierre Ronalds, the Son, Says That This Income Is Made Derivable From Property Over Which Testator Had No Testamentary Power-Residue to Children

After a two months search the will of Peter Lorillard Ronalds, the well known whip, who died in October, has been found. The discovery will help to clear up the mystery surrounding the suit brought recently by his son to have set aside a number of deeds of valuable property, which Mr. Ronalds had conveyed some years ago to Miss Elizabeth N. Blake, who lived for eighteen years in the same house with him at 113 East Thirty-fifth street.

Miss Blake says she was his nurse and housekeeper. The son alleged that she had exercised a strong influence over him by leading him to believe that spirits had told him to give her the property

The will, filed for probate yesterday, was made on January 9, 1904, when Mr. Ronalds was 78 years old. By it he appointed his son Pierre and his lawyer, Abram I. Elkus, executors and trustees of his estate. No estimate has yet been made of the size of the estate. The will directs the executors to pay

to Miss Blake, from the income of property at 87 and 89 Bleecker street, \$3,000 a year for life, and \$800 a year to Gustavus Blake. The son Pierre, in the petition for probate, questions the validity of this clause of the will, on the ground that his father had only a life interest in the property named, without testamentary powers. from whom he had been separated for many years. Mr. Ronalds instructed his executors to make her any allotment of his estate that they thought her legally entitled to, for life, in lieu of dower, or to

arrive at a compromise with her by the payment of a lump sum in lieu of dower.

The residuary estate goes to the two sons, Pierre and Reginald, and the daughter, Mrs. Fannie F. Ritchle, in equal shares. Pierre is to have his father's library.

Just the Little Things That Express Some Meaning

These shops reveal a number of beautiful things that have some deeper melody than the ordinary holiday offering. We suggest most particularly the "Shera ton," work table-with its quaint pouches and spool rack; the "Pembroke" writing table-a thing of constant charm; the "Ruskin" book stand, and a host of other attractive pieces -expressing that certain merit above the commonplace. All bearing the distinctive "Hall Mark" of the

Grand Rapids Furniture Company

34th Street, West, Nos. 155-157 "MINUTE FROM BROADWAY."

MR. MINER SCRAPS WITH COPS.

Fuss in Tenderioin Station Threshed Out in Jefferson Market Court.

Assistant District Attorney Karl Miner went to the Jefferson Market police court yesterday and examined a lot of Tenderloin station house bail bonds, which he said were denied him at the station house. He also put a detective, a professional bondsman and several women prisoners through

a sharp examination. Later he called Sergt. McGowan and Policeman Serrino to his office. McGowan apologized for angry remarks he had made to Miner the previous night, and Serrino gave him some information he had asked for on Broadway and which, he says, the

thing about the Lang case, Lang being a former policeman who is under \$4,000 bail on a charge of grand larceny. Serrino refused to talk to Mr. Miner, the latter says,

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the Tenderloin station, where Sergi McGowan and he had a quarrel. McGowan he says, refused to let him make charge-against Serrino. While in the station house Mr. Miner drove away Miller, a professional bondsman. He remarked, he says, that Bondsman Marcus swore to an affidavit on one of Miller's bonds.

one of Miller's bonds. He investigated the matter yesterda tefore Magintrate Wahle and found the Marcus was doing a good deal of work

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